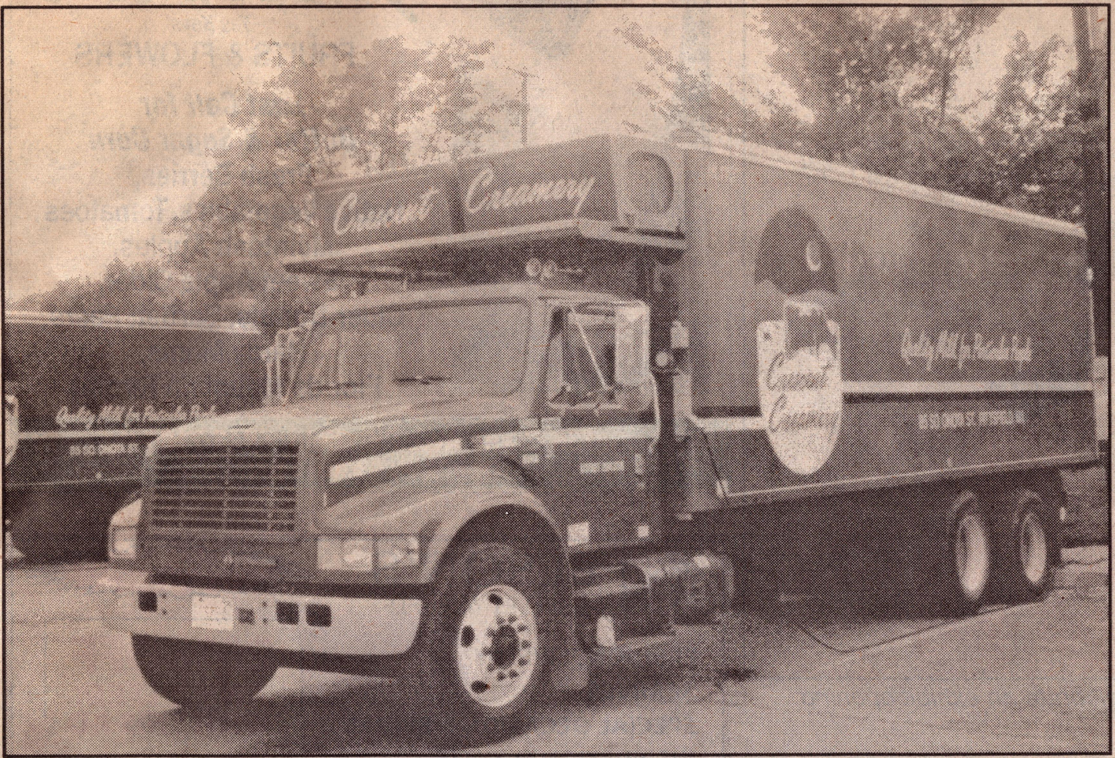
City creamery


Crescent Creamery
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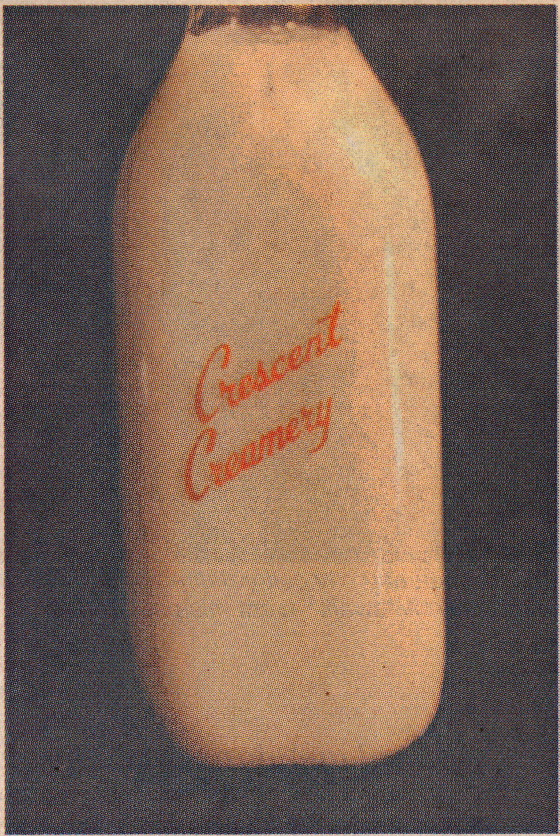
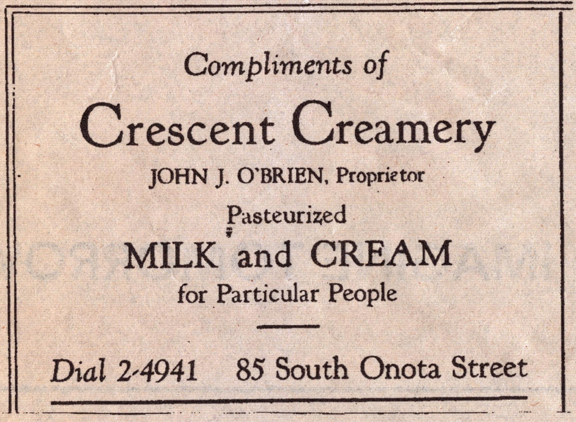
Quality Milk for Particular People
85 SO ONOTA ST. PITTSFIELD MA

John J. O'Brien, who had worked in the dairy business with his father since 1908, founded his own milk distribution company in 1936. In 1945, John J. purchased the 40-acre Westenhok Farm on Williams Street, providing additional pasture land for his cows. Today, Crescent Creamery, located at 85 South Onota Street, obtains milk from local and regional farms, distributing daily products to retailers and the food service industry in Massachusetts, Vermont, Connecticut and New York.



Joseph O'Brien, father of John J. O'Brien, was one of the first dealers to distribute milk in refillable bottles. The label, "Crescent Creamery," was painted in orange on one side of the bottle and the slogan, "Quality Milk for Particular People" was on the other.



Compliments of

Crescent Creamery

JOHN J. O'BRIEN, Proprietor

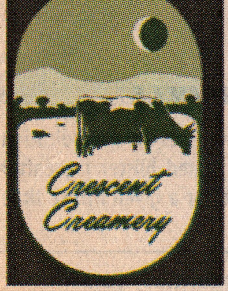
Pasteurized

MILK and CREAM

for Particular People

Dial 2-4941 85 South Onota Street

This 1948 ad appeared in the Saint Joseph's High School yearbook.



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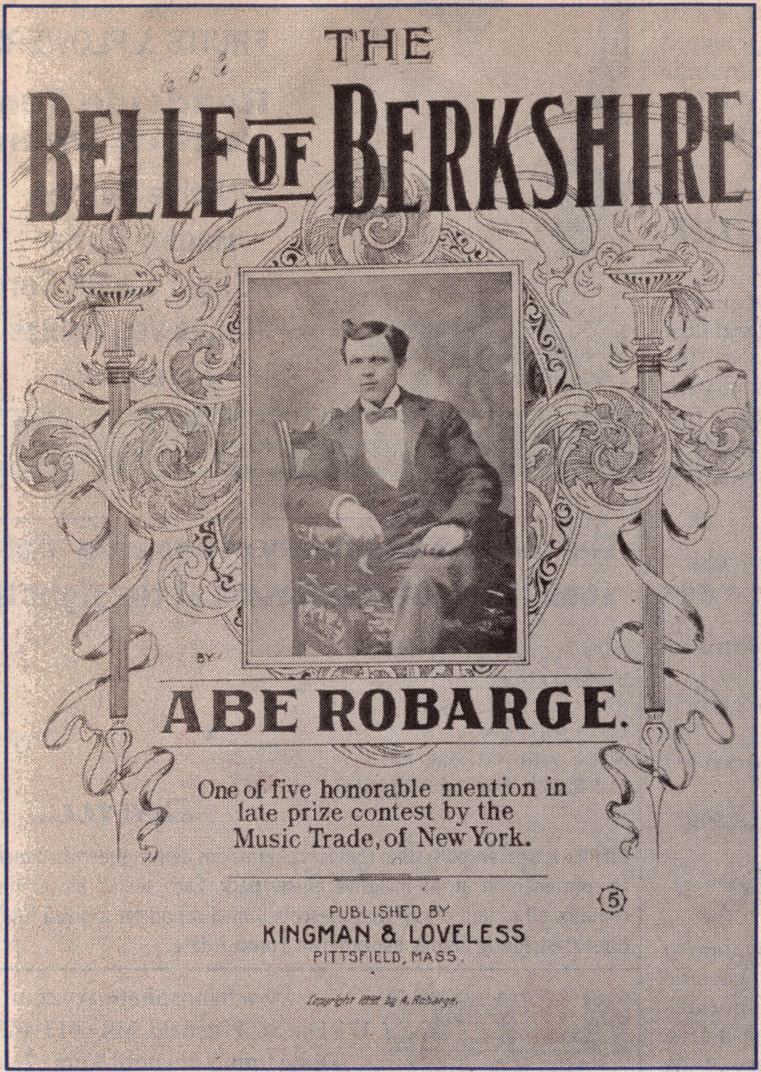
This Pittsfield student enjoyed a cookie and carton of Crescent Creamery milk in June 1999. In 1949, Crescent Creamery supplied six Pittsfield Public School with milk at five cents a half pint, while the rest of the city schools bought milk from the Pittsfield Milk Exchange at five and one-half cents. Today Crescent provides milk for all Berkshire public schools.

The Belle of Berkshire



THE

BELLE OF BERKSHIRE

BY

ABE ROBARGE.

One of five honorable mention in
late prize contest by the
Music Trade, of New York.

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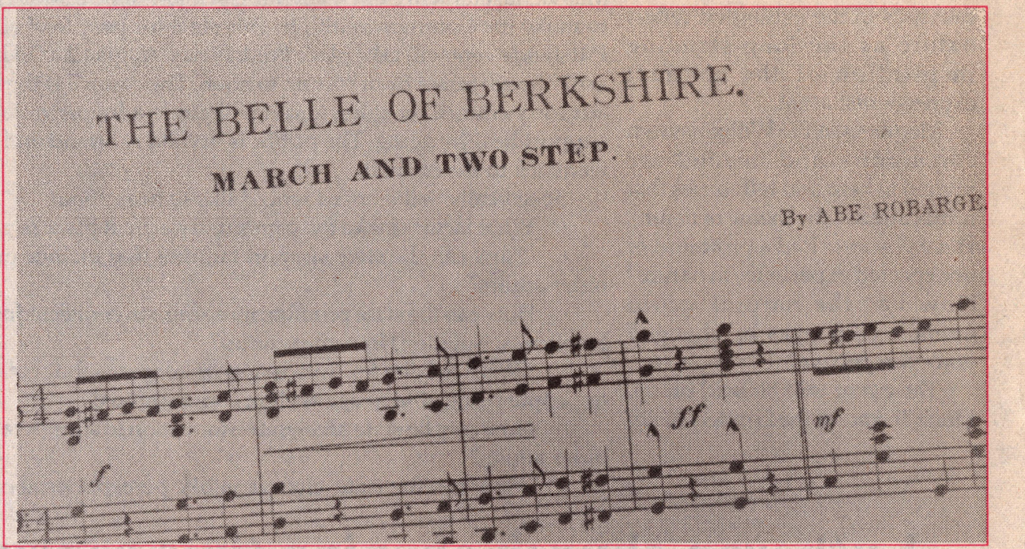
Copyright 1898 by A. Robarge.

Abraham (Abe) Robarge (1873-1948) was a pianist, organist, composer, orchestra member and music teacher. He was married to Isabelle "(Belle") Wilson of Pittsfield and they had four sons, one daughter and hundreds of piano pupils.

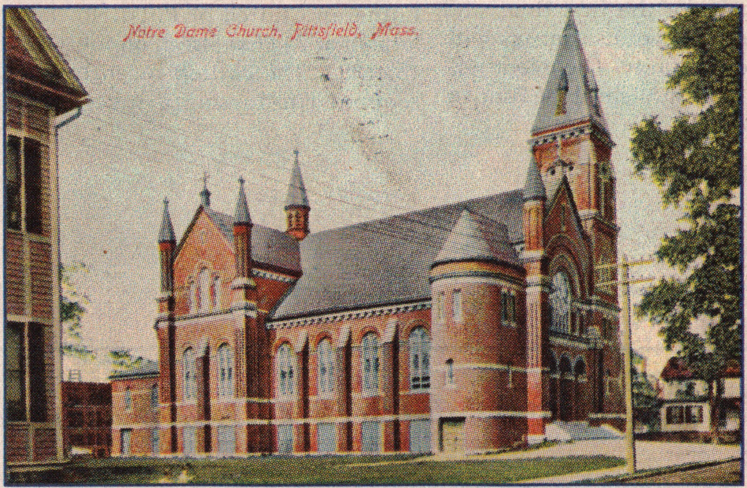


THE BELLE OF BERKSHIRE.

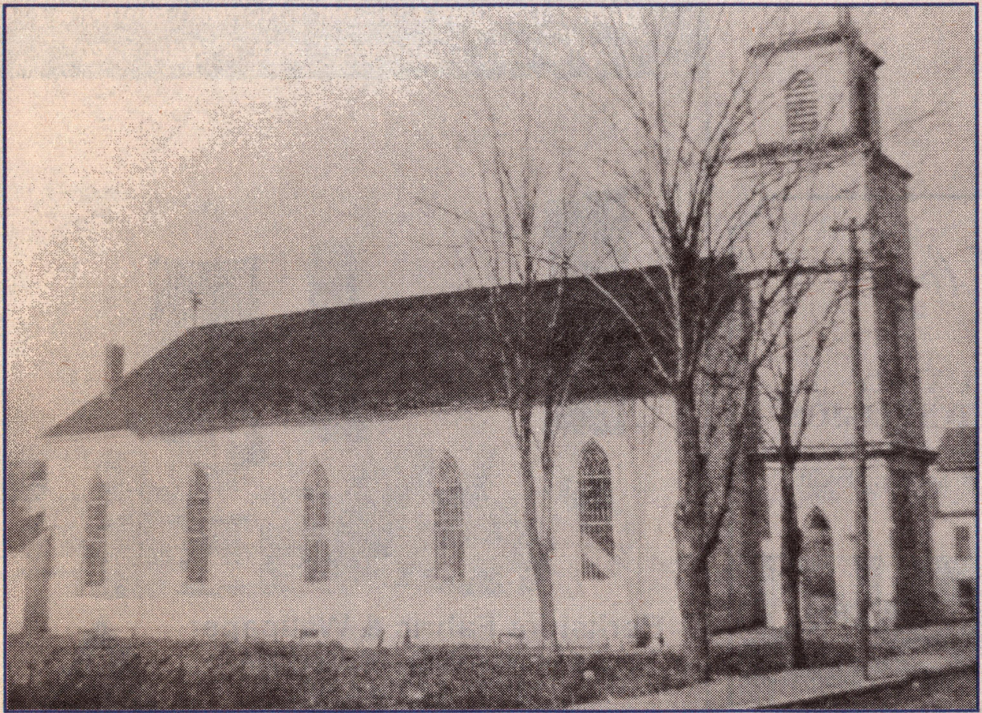
MARCH AND TWO STEP.

By ABE ROBARGE.

This "march and two step" by Robarge won honorable mention in a contest run by Music Trade of New York, a well-known publication of the era. Kingman and Loveless, local publishers of Belle of Berkshire (1898), were listed in the City Directory as merchants of pianos, organs and musical merchandise at 144 North Street.



When the new Notre Dame's cornerstone was laid on May 15, 1895, a copy of Abe's Notre Dame March was among the artifacts sealed in a metal box and placed in the cornerstone. The completed church and its new organ were dedicated on May 2, 1897.



According to church historian Joseph G. Guertin, Robarge ws best known for his long tenure as Notre Dame's organist. He began his career on October 22, 1892 in the old wooden Notre Dame, under the tutelage of Miss Elizabeth Walker.

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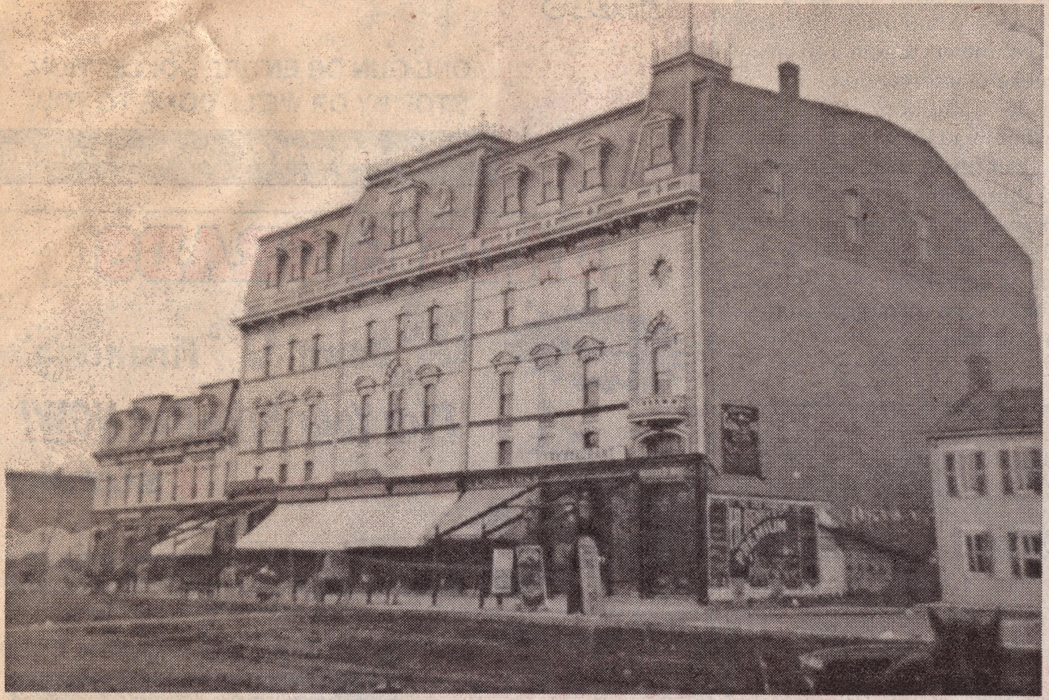
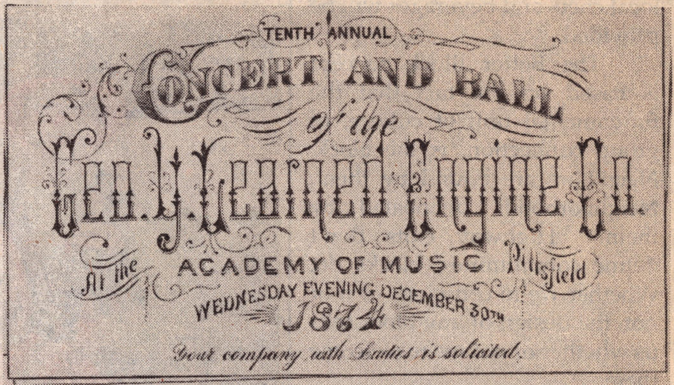
Engine Concert and Ball

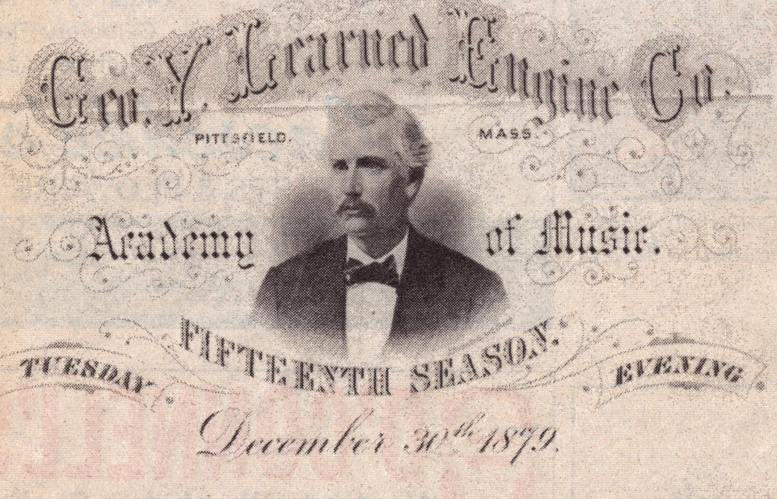


In 1872, the Academy of Music was built on North Street and quickly became the principal cultural site in downtown. The lower story contained six large stores. The 1,114-seat theater, along with offices and parlors, occupied the upper portion of the building. Everything from concert and balls to operas and animal acts entertained people until 1903.



TENTH ANNUAL
CONCERT AND BALL
of the
Geo. Y. Learned Engine Co.
At the ACADEMY OF MUSIC Pittsfield
WEDNESDAY EVENING DECEMBER 30TH
1874
Your company with Ladies is solicited.

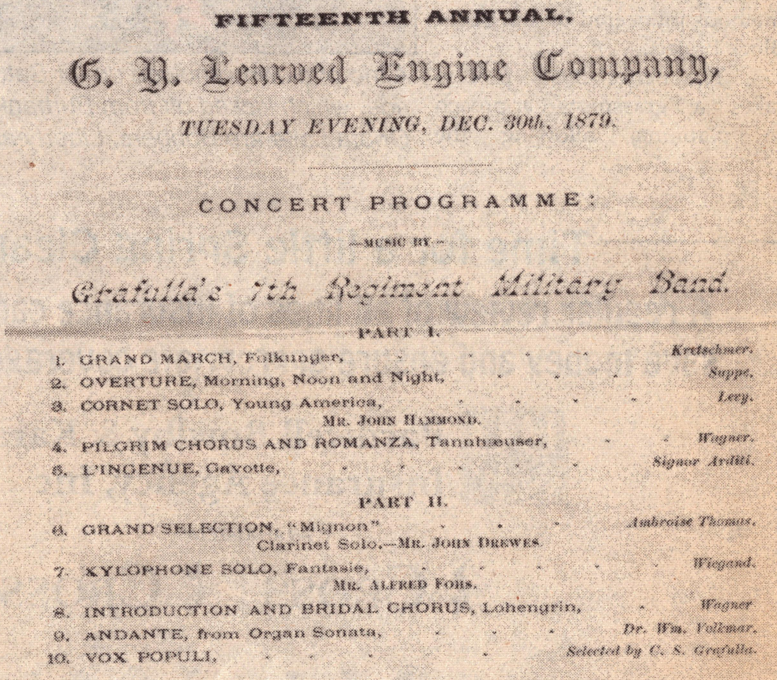
Learned was popular with the Pittsfield Fire Department. One of the volunteer engine companies was named for him. In 1879, the city's Fire District Department had three Engine Companies named Housatonic, George Y. Learned and S.W. Morton. There were was also the Greylock Hook and Ladder Company.



Geo. Y. Learned Engine Co.
PITTSFIELD. MASS.
Academy of Music.
FIFTEENTH SEASON.
TUESDAY EVENING
December 30th 1879.

George Y. Learned (1827-1897) was prominent in city politics, lived on upper North Street near the Taconic Mill, where he acted as the company's first general agent and treasurer. Learned was the city auditor from 1891 to 1897 as well as a trustee of the public library.

The gala was arranged by a five-man committee helped by a 27-member reception committee, who wore red badges, two floor directors wearing white badges and 19 aides weearing blue badges. Notable names such as Dawes, Colt, Pomeroy, Clapp, Crane, Tilden, Peck and Russell were on the honorary committee.



FIFTEENTH ANNUAL.
G. Y. Learved Engine Company,
TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 30th, 1879.

CONCERT PROGRAMME:
—MUSIC BY—
Grafulla's 7th Regiment Military Band.

PART I.

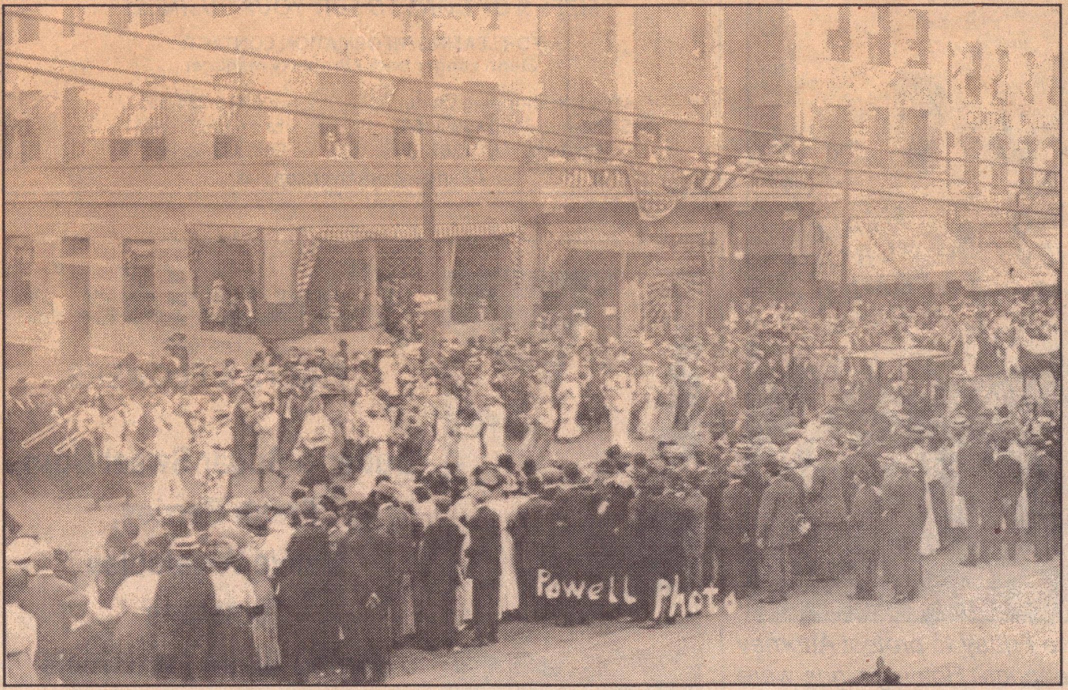
1.	GRAND MARCH, Folkunger,	Kretschmer.
2.	OVERTURE, Morning, Noon and Night,	Suppe.
3.	CORNET SOLO, Young America, MR. JOHN HAMMOND.	Levy.
4.	PILGRIM CHORUS AND ROMANZA, Tannhæuser,	Wagner.
5.	L'INGENUE, Gavotte,	Signor Arditi.

PART II.

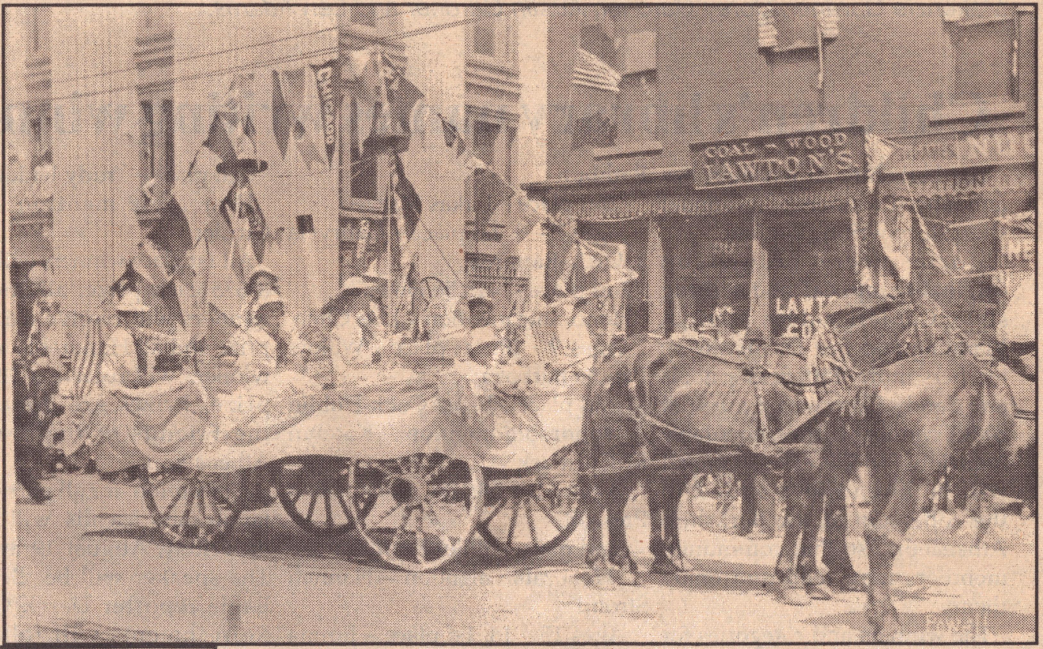
6.	GRAND SELECTION, "Mignon" Clarinet Solo.—MR. JOHN DREWES.	Ambroise Thomas.
7.	XYLOPHONE SOLO, Fantasie, MR. ALFRED FOHS.	Wiegand.
8.	INTRODUCTION AND BRIDAL CHORUS, Lohengrin,	Wagner
9.	ANDANTE, from Organ Sonata,	Dr. Wm. Volkmar.
10.	VOX POPULI,	Selected by C. S. Grafulla.

PITTSFIELD'S PAST

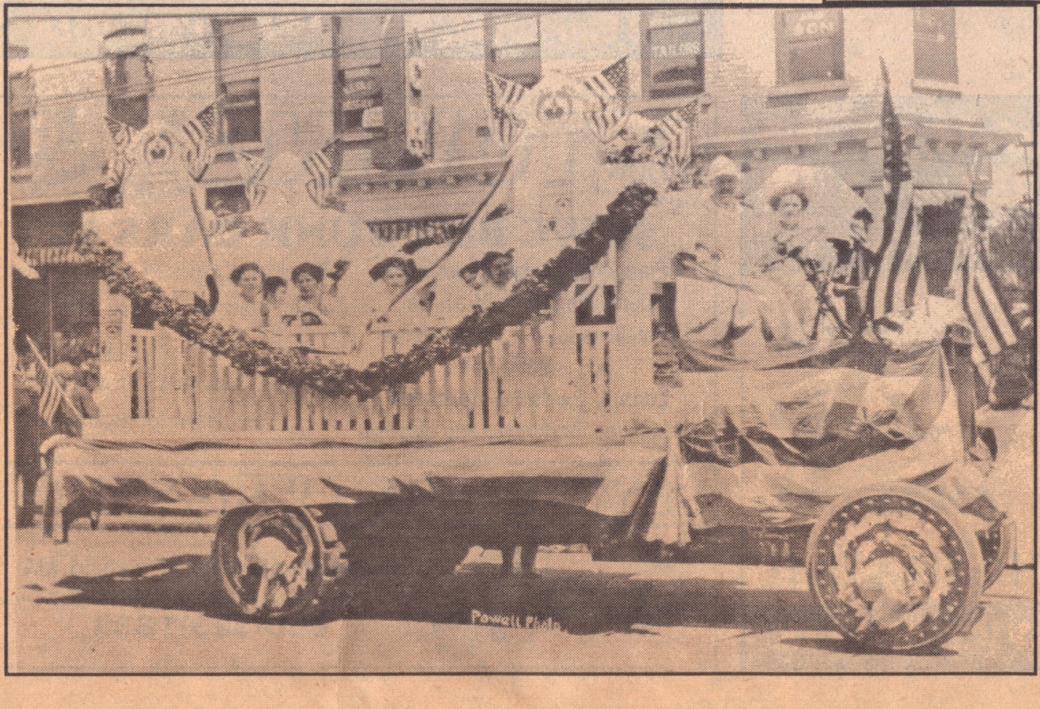
Parades by Powell



Pittsfield photographer Matthew H. Powell (1869-1922) prided himself as being an "Out Door Photographer in All its Branches." Pictured here is one of the bands in the Rag-A-Muffins' Parade in front of the New American Hotel in the early 1900s.



This Fourth of July "College Floats on Parade" was captured by Powell as the procession paused in front of the FIrst Agricultural Bank. Powell's popular photocards documented North Street floods, fires and blizzards as well as patriotic celebrations.



This Eaton, Crane and Pike float was sponsored by the city's manufacturer of fine stationery. The company's Pittsfield division was located in the former Terry Clock plant on South Church Street. By 1915, the corporation employed about 1,000 people.

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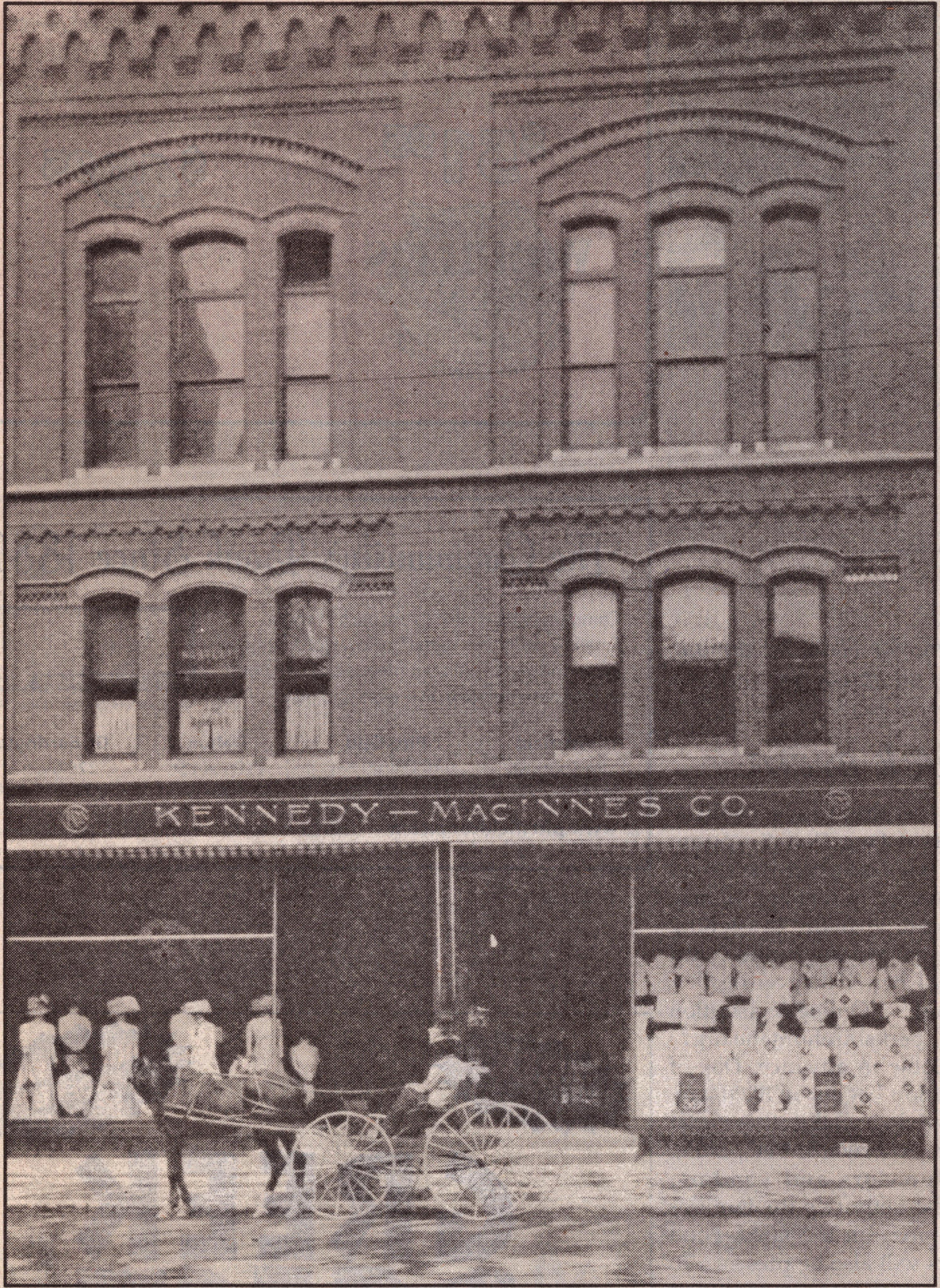
Kennedy & MacInnes



In 1909, Kennedy & MacInnes was described as Pittsfield's greatest department store and most conspicuous example of the city's progressive spirit. This thoroughly modern mercantile estalishment was located in the city's Central Block.

KENNEDY & MacINNES,

Importers, Wholesale and Retail Dealers in

American, British, French and German

Dry Goods, Millinery AND Upholstery

Ladies' and Childrens' Fine Boots and Shoes.

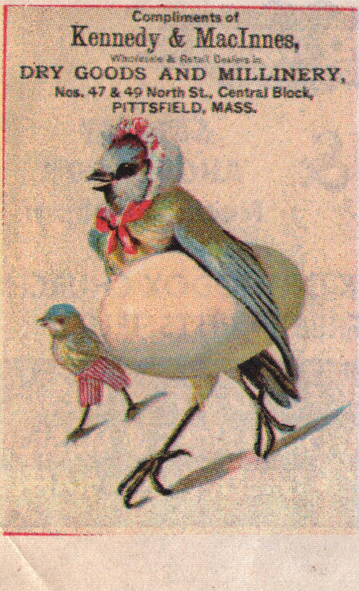
DRESS AND CLOAK MAKING IN ALL ITS BRANCHES.

Our Cloak Room contains the Largest Assortment of Latest Styles, and, being in a room by themselves, better conveniences for Fitting, etc., are afforded than in a crowded store.

KENNEDY & MacINNES,

47 and 49 North Street, and McKay Street.

Smith and Wallace, a dry good store was listed in the 1874 CIty Director at 14 North Street. Kennedy & MacInnes, the successor to Smith and Wallace, reamined at the same address in the Root Block until they expanded both the store's size and inventory by moving to 47 and 49 North Street (advertisement, 1891).


Compliments of

Kennedy & MacInnes,

Wholesale & Retail Dealers in

DRY GOODS AND MILLINERY,

Nos. 47 & 49 North St., Central Block,

PITTSFIELD, MASS.

This trade card issued by Kennedy & MacInnes was given to customers with their purchases. Some patrons collected sets of cards, visiting to get new ones.

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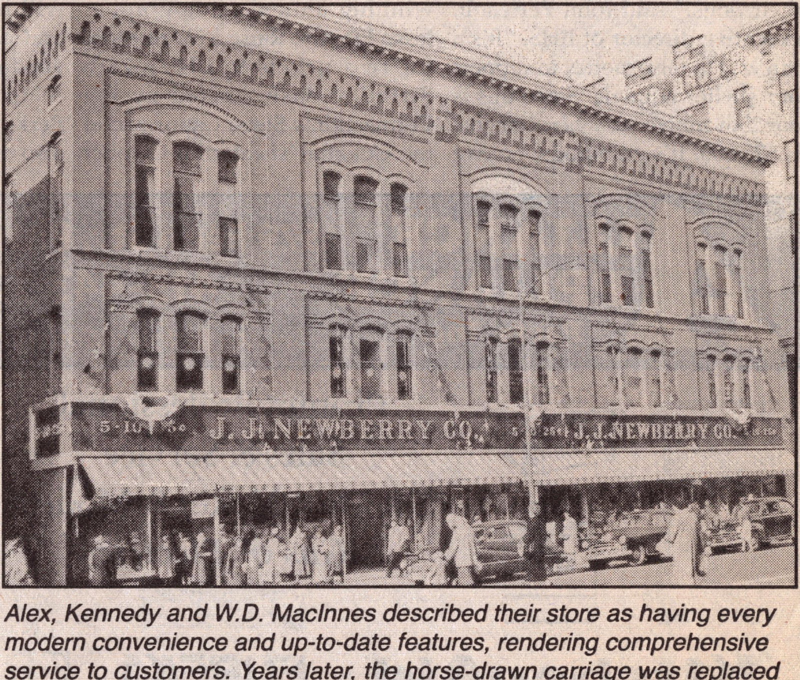

Alex, Kennedy and W.D. MacInnes described their store as having every modern convenience and up-to-date features, rendering comprehensive service to customers. Years later, the horse-drawn carriage was replaced by the automobile and the Kennedy & MacInnes names was replaced by that of the J.J. Newberry Company, a "five and dime" store.